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FOR: DATA RECORDING METHOD, DATA REPRODUCING METHOD, DATA
RECORDING APPARATUS AND DATA REPRODUCING APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 49 pages of specification, claims, abstract.
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ Priority Claimed.
- ☒ Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-271520; Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-355629; and Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-160701
- ☒ 37 sheets of formal drawing.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to HITACHI, LTD.
and the assignment recordation fee.
- ☒ An associate power of attorney.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and reference.
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment

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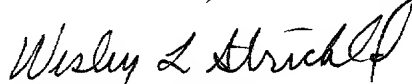
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